

THE FAITH COMMUNICATOR

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Even among Christians when someone mentions Lent, the only good thing ever said is that it follows "Fat Tuesday!" Ash Wednesday was several days ago and during our services, worshipers were anointed with ash mixed with oil to remind us that we are dust and to dust we will return. The word Lent causes people to worry and sometimes obsess about what they will have to give up. Yet, Lent is really a time to reflect and look toward the saving act of God in Christ Jesus death on the cross.

I want to encourage everyone to do four things during Lent this year.

- † Monday through Saturday, reflect on where God has taken you, how God has been with you in the midst of the good times and the not-so-good times. While reflecting, discover how God is presently at work in the midst of your life, just yesterday and this day, since you woke up!
- † On Sunday, worship God! In the 40 days of Lent Sundays are not counted because we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord every Sunday.
- † Read daily in *Mission: Possible*, the devotion for Lent developed by our Education committee. It is excellent! Be careful though, reading a daily devotional might just become a habit! (Quite honestly, though, I am not sure how that would be bad!)
- † Make it a priority to attend our Wednesday worship services (4:30 PM or 7:00 PM) and possibly fellowship at a Soup Supper (5:15 PM to 6:45 PM). Many people have worked hard to make the Wednesday nights very meaningful in so many ways and assist us in looking toward the cross.

The cross is where Lent points us. As we prepared our hearts for the coming of Christ during Advent, let us prepare our hearts daily for the love of God demonstrated through Christ Jesus' death on the cross and subsequent resurrection on that first Easter.

Blessings -Ed Broestl

Easter Service and NEW Worship Times!

Beginning Sunday, April 4th (Easter Sunday) we will be moving to a new worship schedule:

8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, and 11:00 AM

Moving forward, we will keep these worship times as our regular schedule. Our Christian Education Hour will be at 9:30 AM.

As we grow, the needs of worship grows as well. God has richly blessed FCLC and we welcome the changes it brings! Remember to bring a friend to church at one of our new worship times!

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Lent is a forty-day season of "preparation for the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ" which we celebrate on Easter Sunday and EVERY Sunday. Lent began Ash Wednesday, (February 17th), where we received the mark of the cross in ashes on our foreheads as a reminder that we were created from dust and to dust we shall return. Lent continues for 40 days and culminates in Holy Week (beginning with Palm Sunday, and continuing through Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.) Please note that Sundays are not counted in the 40-day season of Lent because we celebrate Christ's res-

urrection on Sunday EACH week. There is actually 46 days from Ash Wednesday through Easter Sunday in 2010. Three days after Good Friday, Jesus rose from the dead. The Good News! Easter!

This year's Lenten theme is "MISSION: POSSIBLE." Family, Hunger, World, Help, Fear, and Hope. We will explore these themes through our Lenten devotional and worship services. Lenten worship services this year will again include the Holden Evening Prayer and Lenten dramas. Lenten Devotionals are now available in the Narthex.

Other events and activities that will happen throughout Lent include soup suppers, the Seder dinner, the Sunday School Easter Extravaganza, Easter breakfast (put on by our Youth to sponsor the Youth Mission Trip), Easter lilies, and spring cleaning (March 27th). Please look for more details in future editions of the Faith Communicator and on FCLCnews.

Lenten Dramas are Back by Popular Demand!

This season we are all about the men of the Bible!

You are going to learn a little more about the following Biblical characters and their connection to and journey with God this season. Please give those who are going to be portraying these Biblical characters a pat on the back for their efforts this year. Doing a monologue is not an easy thing, but we are blessed with so much talent at FCLC!

February 17 ^{th:}	"Through the eyes of Jacob"	Greg Moller
February 24 th	"Through the eyes of Moses"	Bruce Smith
March 3 rd	"Through the eyes of Joshua"	Kirk Olson
March 10 th	"Through the eyes of Elisha"	Gerry Cole
March 17 th	"Through the eyes of John the Baptist"	Terry Schemmel
March 24 th	"Reflections on Jesus"	Cast of men and women



Soup Suppers

Wednesdays during Lent, 5:15 PM - 6:45 PM Fellowship Hall



Two different soups will be served each week along with fresh fruit; salad or cut vegetables; grilled cheese or quesadillas; and desserts. There is no set cost, but we will be taking a freewill offering.

DAYTIME KITCHEN HELP NEEDED from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM Wednesdays during Lent! Please contact Sally Meier if you can help at sallyjmeier@yahoo.com

DESSERTS NEEDED also. If you can provide desserts, please contact Denise Parsons at parsonsd1@msn.com or Karyn Reed at karyn@grnbriar.com.

Thanks everyone for your support of and participation in this wonderful fellowship event!

Schedule of Lent Events and Activities

Feb 24	Wednesday	Worship at 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM	Soup Supper 5:15 PM, nursery at 4:30 PM service only
Mar 3	Wednesday	Worship at 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM	Soup Supper 5:15 PM, nursery at 4:30 PM service only
Feb 28	Sunday	Begin Easter lily sales	
Mar 10	Wednesday	Worship at 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM	Soup Supper 5:15 PM, nursery at 4:30 PM service only
Mar 17	Wednesday	Worship at 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM	Soup Supper 5:15 PM, nursery at 4:30 PM service only
Mar 24	Wednesday	Worship at 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM	Soup Supper 5:15 PM, nursery at 4:30 PM service only
Mar 27	Saturday	Spring Cleaning (time TBD)	
Mar 28	Palm Sunday	Worship at 8:45 AM and 11:15 AM	
Apr 1	Maundy Thursday	Seder Dinner at 6:00 PM	
Apr 2	Good Friday	Worship at 7:00 PM	
Apr 4	Easter Sunday	Worship at 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, a	and 11:00 AM

Easter Breakfast

Easter Sunday School Extravaganza at 9:30 AM

NO Sunday School

Vida Abundante Centro Cristiano 5:00 AM to 7:00 AM, Sunrise Room

Worship, Devotions, Bible Studies and Classes

Orientation to FCLC!

The next Orientation to FCLC is Sunday, February 28th (6:00 - 7:30 PM) AND Sunday, March 7th (during Sunday school.) Look for more details in the bulletin. Please contact the church office at 303-776-8771 or by email at office@fclc.org if you would like to be in the Orientation.







Rehearsal Time Change for February!

Band:

Thu Feb 25 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Thu Mar 4 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Vocal team rehearsal:

Sun Feb 28 5:00 PM - 5:45 PM Thu Mar 4 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Please note the change in time for vocal rehearsal for February. This is due to the Stover's project Bible study which Diane is leading.

Leap of Faith

March Music to Work on:

"Made to Love" (prelude for March)

"The Things I Would Say" (prelude for March)

Refresh: "East is to the West" (March special music)

All 6th - 12th grades are welcome to join us this month to learn and sing with us. It is never too late to join us!







April and May Schedule:

Leap of Faith team will have the month of April off from leading worship!

Leap of Faith team will lead TWO weekends in May:

May 1st - 2nd
Confirmation Weekend
And
May 29th - 30th
Graduation Weekend

Malatya: The Movie

Sunday, March 14th 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Sanctuary

In 2007, during the time the FCLC group was touring Turkey, three Turkish Christian civilians were killed. One was a friend of FCLC tour coordinator, Doug Johnson.

The murders sent shockwaves throughout Turkey, especially among the small Christian population. But in spite of the many trials Turkish Christians are facing even today in a Muslim nation, God is building His Church in Turkey. Join us as we view this impacting documentary and discuss. (For ages 14 and up.)

2010 Lenten Devotionals Have Arrived!

This daily devotional for FCLC members became available in the narthex beginning February 14th.

A BIG thank you to the 39 authors, all members of Faith Community Lutheran Church. Thank you to the Christian Education Committee and the 6th Grade Confirmation class for your collating skills. Wow, what a team effort!

Beginning on Ash Wednesday, each family will receive an envelope of resources and a small weekly reminder for our MISSION: POSSIBLE theme. Plan on coming to Lenten services every week!

Christian Education Dates to Remember:

February 21 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM February 28 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

February 28 Before/After Sunday School

March 7 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM 11:15 AM

12:30 PM March 13 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Proverbs Bible Study begins!
Orientation to FCLC, session #1

Blood Pressure Checks

Orientation to FCLC, session #2

New Members join

Luncheon for New Members, Council & Staff Sunday School Workshop Leader's Meeting (Room 103)

Crown Financial Bible Study

Join us for this 10-week Bible Study. It's not just about money!!!! Regardless of your financial position-this class is for you!!!

Classes: begin February 25th from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

To sign up, please contact Ed Broestl or Susan Moller at 303-776-8771.

Crown's Mission:

Equipping people worldwide to learn, apply, and teach God's financial principles so they may know Christ more intimately, be free to serve Him, and help fund the Great Commission.

Worship, Devotions, Bible Studies and Classes - cont...



To be filled with God and the Spirit, trusting Him to be the thing we long for. John 6.35

When: Every Sunday morning 10:05 AM - 11:05 AM during the school year

Where: Starts in Sanctuary

Attention parents and youth of FCLC!!! We want to remind you of our new Worship/Education Hour for our Youth Ministry on Sundays called "the Fill." The Fill is for all 6th - 12th graders. We meet in the Sanctuary at 10:05 AM for opening music and to hear God's word for a few minutes. This time is for us to be challenged in the word of God and to then talk about it in our different small groups. We separate the students into middle school/ high school, then guys/girls. This format allows our students to go deeper into discussion with their individual leaders and to talk about things going on in their lives.

We really encourage our parents and youth to make this time on Sundays a priority in your lives as it produces the habit of fellowship, prayer, worship, Bible study and communion as we gather to talk and share our lives with one another. So, if you come to the early service, stay late for Sunday school (the FiLL) or come to Sunday school and then stay for the later worship service. Don't miss out on the great conversations and discipleship going on!

FCLC Events, Meetings, and Fellowship



Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction

Friday, February 26th 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM Fellowship Hall

Come and help support 70 of our students in their effort to raise funds for our Mission Trip to Parsons, Kansas where we will be helping low income, elderly and disadvantaged people with home repairs ranging from painting and carpentry, to roofing. Our youth will be cooking a spaghetti dinner and selling different items for the auction (yard work, dog walking, homemade meals, art work, babysitting, etc.)



FCyouth Mission: Parsons, Kansas

July 10th-17th **Cost:** \$500

We still have a few spots left for our mission trip to Parsons, Kansas through Group Workcamps Foundation. This mission is open for 7th grade and up into college age. We will be working on rebuilding homes, building relations with the community, growing in relationship with God and our youth ministry. You don't want to miss it!

If you are interested in coming or inviting your friends, please contact:

Sililo WooChing <u>swc258@yahoo.com</u>

Brit Windel Brit@fclc.org 303-776-8771



August 1st - 8th \$35.00 per person Students finishing 2nd through 12th graders

Scripts are being written, meetings are being "had." Teams are forming to create another wonderful and blessed summer week! Put these dates on your calendar now because I promise you this, you will NOT want to miss what is being planned for you this summer!

Questions? Contact Diane Sell at diane@fclc.org





FCLC Events, Meetings, and Fellowship - cont...

Passover Preparation Led to Spring Cleaning



While there are several suggested origins of Spring Cleaning, one of them is based on the Passover. During Passover it is forbidden to have leavened bread in the household (even crumbs and dusts are from forbidden flours.) Therefore, just before Passover the family took to cleaning the entire household to remove all forbidden particles in preparation of Passover.

The Property Ministry invites the Faith family to join in preparations for the Holy Week with a Spring Clean-up on March 27th (the Saturday before Palm Sunday.) Please come and join us to help make the Church sparkle for our Holy Week. We will start at 8:30 AM and hope to conclude by noon.

We will be cleaning the Sanctuary, windows, and furnishings; the Narthex; and the Fellowship Hall. This includes washing windows, vacuuming, dusting, and polishing.

Curt Schroeder 303-638-9738 cell

7Ten

7Ten is a new ministry that we have started with the FCyouth. These are events that take place on weekends (mostly Saturday and most often from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM). This is a place for students to come, hang out, and fellowship with other church kids and adults.

We want to provide regular opportunities for all of our youth (6th-12th graders) to keep in the 'know' about these events. You will need to READ THE NEWSLETTER, check the CHURCH CALENDAR, and COME TO THE FILL, and WNLIVE.

Our first 7Ten was with the Super Bowl Party! It was an amazing time with more than 30 students who came; played basketball and games; ate; and enjoyed watching the Saints and Colts play.

Upcoming 7Ten Events

When:

Cost:

Saturday Night at the Stover's

When: Saturday, March 13th

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

What: Wii, Movie, and Pizza Night

Where: Stover's House 2408 Mapleton Cir.

Longmont, CO 80503

FCyouth Group (9th-12th graders)

Who: **BRING YOUR FRIENDS!!**

Cost: Free

(Just take your shoes off at the door)

Game Night

When: Saturday, March 20th 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Game Night What:

Giveaways: for Game Exchange, iTunes, Five Guys,

Chick-Fil-A, and more

FCLC Fellowship Hall Where:

FCyouth Group (6th-12th graders) Who:

BRING YOUR FRIENDS

Cost: \$2.00

Bowling

April 24th

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

What: **Bowling Night**

Where: Centennial Lanes

FCyouth Group (6th - 12th) Who:

BRING YOUR FRIENDS

\$5.00 per student

(Covers 3 hours of unlimited play and

shoe rental)



St. Patrick's Day Dance

Hello, fellow dancers! The Fellowship committee has decided to hold off on the St. Patrick's Day dance until the fall. So be watching for news of it later on, after the 30th anniversary party!

Hope you enjoyed "the prom!"

Andrea Lee

FCLC Events, Meetings, and Fellowship - cont...

Father Son Retreat



When: Friday, June 18th from 7:00 PM through Saturday, June 19th at 9:00 PM

Where: Highlands Presbyterian Park

We will be staying in cabins and lodges for the weekend. Meals are provided

Cost: \$140.00 for single attendee, \$125.00 per person for father(s) and son(s)

Join us for our first annual Father Son Retreat! We will have an amazing weekend of great food, fellowship, games, outside fun, and great challenges as we hear from speakers on the topic of manhood: What does it look like to be a Godly father, son, husband, friend in all the areas of our lives?

You will not want to miss this time! It is open from ages 12 and up to 100! Get signed up today for this great retreat! Sons, invite your fathers! Fathers, invite your dads and sons!

The guest speaker will be <u>Pastor Ted Cunningham</u>, author of From Anger to Intimacy and speaker for the Smally Marriage and Family Institute.

Email Brit Windel at <u>Brit@fclc.org</u> for more information or to sign up. You may also sign up in the church office. Make checks payable to Faith Community Lutheran Church and put "Father Son Retreat" in the memo.

Brit Windel

Youth & Family Director

cell: 405-570-5501 office: 303-776-8771

http://www.ypguybrit.wordpress.com

Photo Directories—ARE HERE!



Our church pictorial directories are here! For those of you who had your picture taken by LifeTouch or who submitted a photo, you will find a copy of the directory in your mailbox. For those who did not participate in the directory, there are a few more copies available for sale (\$5). If you are interested, please see the church office.

Why doesn't everyone get a directory? We have no budget for purchasing additional copies (\$6/each from Life-Touch). We do get some extra copies from "points" we receive based upon the number of families photographed. Since we do NOT have enough to hand one to every family, we are selling the extra copies.

If you do not wish to purchase a directory, you can still get a copy of the church roster. For more information, please contact office@fclc.org.

Thanks again, to all those who helped in the production of the directory and in the efforts to get families photographed! A special thanks goes to Kaydene Hubert, who did all the design and layout work!

If you have any questions, please email me at sallyjmeier@yahoo.com.

Thanks,

Sally Meier, Fellowship Chair



Adult Game Night

(Age 22 and older!)

Friday, February 26th 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Sunset Room 230



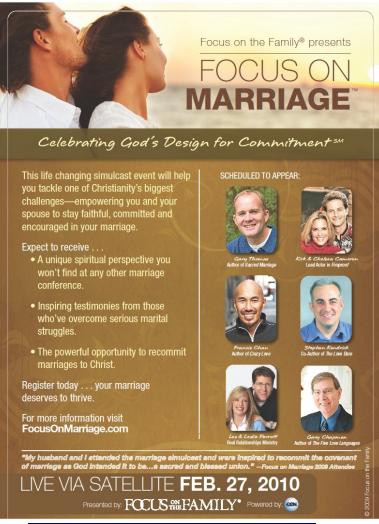
After you have enjoyed the Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by our youth, join us for a fun night of games! Bring your favorite board game or card game, and a snack to share.

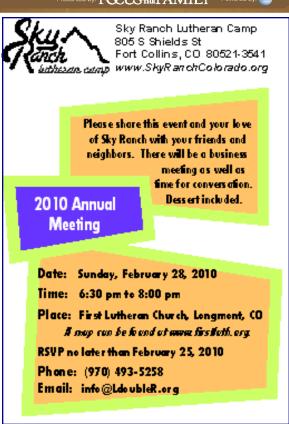
You could attend the Spaghetti Dinner in the Fellowship Hall and then join us for games! Who knows...we may even have a video game!

Ouestions:

Hilde Lowry babygma@yahoo.com or 303-682-0652; Janelle Olson janelle@fclc.org or 303-776-8771.

COMMUNITY EVENTS





<u>Join us for the</u> <u>Annual Interfaith Quilters</u> <u>Show and Sale</u>

March 6th, 2010 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM First Lutheran Church 3rd & Terry in Longmont



\$1 for show | Desserts and coffee available for purchase

PREVIEW NIGHT:

Friday, March 5th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Spot your favorite items for purchase the next day! Cost of \$5 includes entry to show on March 6th.

All year long, the talented ladies of the Interfaith Quilters create beautiful quilts and other works of art to help those in need. Proceeds of their sale benefit in part the OUR Center. For more information, call the OUR Center at 303-772-5529 or Linda at 303-772-8828.

Lutheran Marriage Encounter will be sponsoring a Romantic Dinner on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at 6:30 p.m.

The dinner will be held at Lord of the Hills Lutheran Church, which is located at 21755 East Smoky Hill Road (near Southlands Mall) in Centennial

You and your spouse are cordially invited to attend.
Come and enjoy a wonderful dinner and get a taste of a Marriage Encounter
Weekend.

Childcare will be provided.
Space is limited; RSVP is
required, so contact us soon.
We hope to see you there!

To RSVP please contact John & Jennifer Pettinger at 303-969-9613 or Bud & Cindy Amack at 303-796-9119.

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BIRTHDAYS

February 21 Teri Hassa Mike Krantz

February 22

MacKenzie Demmel Jill Konicek Dale Nehls Evan Oldroyd

February 23 Sarah Droege Keegan Gomez Lu Ann Hostetter Paul James

Al Parker Jenny Wright Nikolas Olson February 24 Annika Nelson

Tyger Penson CC Rinehart Ann Whitefoot

February 25 Jeremy Lowry

February 26

Shane Brockman Jordan Lubovich Milton Meyers Erika Snyder Jennifer Walder

February 27

John Benson Natalie Lowry Samantha Vaughn

Ben Walder

February 28 Dave Hollenbeck Calvin Mendez

March 1 Becker Ell Hagen Williams

March 2 Bill Baker

Kirsten Gjelde-Bennett

Lukas Mason

March 3

Jesse Uecker Joel Uecker

March 4

Tawni Herold

March 6

Macy Fitzgerald Lukas Sell Mason Williams

March 7

Marley Chase Benjamin Kleiman Jenna Olschlager Irving Ringdahl

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

February 22

Marvin and Joyce Heimbichner - 51 years

February 23

Michael and Suzanne O'Grady - 27 years

February 25

Roman Krafczyk and Kristianna Vedvik - 3 years

February 26

Sam and June Faulkner - 37 years

Michael and LaRae Schaff - 22 years

March 7

Federico and Jeanne Ruiz - 23 years

Attendance and Finance

Worship Attendance Week 6 February 6 th & 7 th				
	<u>2010</u>	2009		
Sat 5:30	77	86		
Sun 8:45	246	132		
Sun 11:15	<u>133</u>	<u>284</u>		
Total	456	502		
2010 Average Attendance to date: 544				

2010 Sunday School Attendance: 178 / 73 A

Worship Attendance Week 7					
February 13 th & 14 th (President's Day)					
	<u>2010</u>	2009			
Sat 5:30	64	64			
Sun 8:45	188	185			
Sun 11:15	<u>261</u>	<u>284</u>			
Total	513	533			
2010 Average Attendance to date: 539					
2010 Sunday School Attendance: 167 / 75 A					

Treasurer's Report Through January 31 st , 2010				
General Budget	\$77,546			
Actual Giving	\$66,842			
Actual Expenses	\$64,122			
Mortgage Loan Balance	\$788,484			

Administrivia

Church Office Closed

Monday, March 1st

Please note that the Church Office will be closed on March 1st. The Administrative staff will be doing our Spring Cleaning. We will organize office supplies, update our files, clean out the copy room in preparation for the new island work station soon to be built, and clean out closets! We will be open again for business on Tuesday, March 2nd.



Coffee Machine Has Moved

Please note that the coffee machine has moved to the Fellowship Hall! Please join us between services in the Fellowship Hall for both coffee and fellowship!



Helping Our Neighbors ...

Stover's Project: Longmont Connection

Please save Friday Night, March 5th 5:30 PM - 8:30 PM

We will be attending a "meal and worship in the park" event for the homeless in Longmont. Nancy Tway from our congregation has been a part of homeless ministry in Longmont for several years and is our contact person for this venture. This event takes place every Friday night in a nearby park in Longmont. An organization called Common Cathedral hosts this weekly gathering. We are going to attend this, rub shoulders, eat, and worship with our brothers and sisters who are homeless. We will gather at FCLC at 5:45 PM and travel from there.

Those going on the Stover's Project in Minnesota next month will join members from our congregation interested in homeless ministry. Please find a sign-up sheet for this event at the Welcome Center. Although we encourage ages 16 and up to join us, if you and your family would like to attend this, please do!

Questions? Please contact Nancy Tway at 303-651-7253.





The 2010 Census is Coming and it is Safe

What should I do?

Fill out the questionnaire being mailed by the U.S Census Bureau in March 2010. Mail it back by April 1st.

Why is the Census important?

The Census is important because complete and accurate Census data is critical to our ability to serve the people of Longmont. The data helps us identify our population and their needs and allows us to secure our share of federal funding to meet those needs.

Who does the data help?

Everyone! Over 200 agencies make their funding allocations based on Census data. Some examples where federal funding is allocated are: educational agencies, Head Start programs, Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Public Transportation, road rehabilitation and construction and emergency food and shelter.

Questions?

Ben Ortiz, 303-774-4725 ben.ortiz@ci.longmont.co.us www.2010census.gov



FCLC Weekly Food Drive in February

This is the last week of the FCLC Annual Food Drive for the OUR Center. You can make a difference! Please see the items requested for this week listed below. All donated items can be dropped off in the grocery cart in the Fellowship Hall. It will all go to the OUR Center to be distributed to those in need.

Week 4 (Feb 22nd-28th) = Personal Care Items

- † Shampoo
- † Deodorant
- † Toothpaste and Toothbrushes
- † Toilet Paper



7th Annual Empty Bowls Dinner



One of Longmont's favorite events, Empty Bowls, takes place at Longmont High School on Saturday, March 20th, 2010. Doors open at 10:30 AM for selecting take-home bowls and

bidding on artists' silent auction items. Lunch is served from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM.

Tickets are \$20.00 pre-event or \$25.00 at the door. Sponsorships start at \$100 and include tickets and recognition. All proceeds benefit the food program of the OUR Center which serves 400 free meals per day and distributes 3,000 pounds of food. The food program saw a 55% increase from 2008 to 2009!

For more information, contact Elaine at 303-772-5529 or Elaine@ourcenter.org or visit www.ourcenter.org.

Getting to Know the OUR Center Outreach Breakfast

The OUR Center is offering <u>free</u> monthly breakfasts and presentations on the OUR Center services and needs.

Next Breakfast:

Wednesday, March 3rd, 2010 7:45 AM Breakfast 8:00 AM Presentation, Q & A

Location:

Hospitality Center 250 3rd Ave. (3rd & Collyer) Longmont



RSVP to Patricia Miller at 303-772-5529 Ext. 232 or patricia@ourcenter.org.

Helping Our Neighbors cont...

Endowment Fund Committee

The Endowment Committee's first funding of the year will be for Ben Mason for \$10,000. The funds will be used for Luther Seminary tuition and living expenses. The Endowment Fund Committee will be accepting applications until June 30th for the second half of the year funding. Preference will be given to those requests that launch new programs or ministries that were not funded in the 2010 budget.

2010 Songs of Hope Soirée

Lutheran Family Services of Colorado cordially invites you to the 2010 Songs of Hope Soirée Annual Benefit Gala. Please join us for an evening of fabulous food, drinks and musical entertainment on Saturday. April 24th, 2010 at The Inverness Hotel and Conference Center in Denver. The proceeds from this event will support the LFS programs, such as foster care, adoption services, refugee and senior outreach services and serve more than 40,000 people in 2010. Please register online at www.lfsco.org.

LFS Refugee/Asylee Program...

is in need of bed-sized blankets. We can accept used blankets as long as they are clean and in good condition. Blankets may be delivered to either LFS office (363 S. Harlan St. Suite 200 in Lakewood, or 1600 Downing St. Suite 600 in Denver) Monday through Friday between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. We do not need baby blankets, throws or quilts at this time. Thank you!

Lutheran Family Services

Care Management Solutions

Care Management Solutions, Lutheran Family Services' program for older adults, is in need of financial contributions to help us meet the needs of older adults. The recent economy has hit the vulnerable senior population particularly hard-we have seen a dramatic increase in older adults seeking assistance for shelter, food, housing and healthcare. To address the growing needs of our clients, LFS has set up the Senior Relief Fund that will be used to pay for necessities such as glasses, hearing aids, emergency medications, etc. The needs are many and quickly multiplying.

Care Management Solutions is also in need of a video camera for volunteers to help older adults record their favorite memories. LFS is looking for someone who would like to donate a camera or contribute towards the purchase of one.

If you can help with either of these projects or would like more information, please call Carol Buchanan at 303-217-5865.

Volunteer Coordinator / Administrative Assistant Position

Lutheran Family Services of Colorado is seeking candidates for a newly funded Volunteer Coordinator/Administrative Assistant position to work with our Care Management Solutions Program in Denver. The Care Management Solutions Program provides family members and older adults with the advice, support and inspiration needed to provide compassionate care and make intelligent decisions.

This position coordinates all activities of the grant project which will expand the Volunteer Care Team Program of Care Management Solutions. This includes recruiting, training, assigning, and monitoring all volunteers serving program clients.

For consideration please forward resume and salary requirements to:

recruit@fortehumanresources.com

Helping Our Neighbors Around The World

Stover's Project Updates!

Please keep in your prayers the following people who will be traveling to Minnesota for this homeless project. While we are gone, I would like to match up a prayer partner for each of the names below. If you are interested in being a prayer partner for us, please contact Diane Sell at diane@fclc.org.

Marcie Mason Julia Rosenstein Dave Rousseau Dave Sell Diane Sell Victoria Ruiz Aaron Harms Eric Phelan Nathan Schemmel Ian Rosenstein JD Sell Jordan Lind

Meeting us in MN
Briana Weber
Ben Mason
Stephanie Mason

Stover Project Bible Study

Bible study dates:

Feb 21st, 28th, Mar 7th, 14th, 21st

Who: all those going to Minnesota <u>Time</u>: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Fireside Room

Bring: Bible and Journal

Helping Our Neighbors Around The World - cont...

Ben's Story

Our trip was part of the curriculum at Luther; every student is required to participate in a cross-cultural experience designed to challenge each student's understanding of culture, and to help them get a glimpse of the world as it is seen through the eyes of other people. The trip was not what you would typically think of as a "mission trip," we were not going there to work, or to influence the people we were to meet as much as we were going to be influenced by them. We were setting out to learn about Haitian culture and the unique problems that Haiti faces by talking to and learning from Haitian people. Our goal was to get a greater understanding of why Haiti is in its current state, and what needs to happen to improve the situation. Additionally, we applied our experiences of Haiti to our understanding of what it means to live in Christian community in a more general sense, and we spoke a lot about God's will for the church, both globally and locally.

The itinerary of our trip was designed to get us intimately acquainted with the organizations that HTF supports. These are Haitian run organizations which is important because the people of Haiti know very intimately what their country needs as we as outsiders could never know. Additionally, these people are wholly invested in the future of Haiti because they have a strong sense of cultural pride and they are an inherently patriotic people. A great deal of what we talked about and learned from talking to Haitians has changed the way that I think about charity. When I think of what Christ has called us to be and do for the sake of "the least of these" in Matthew 25, He does not call us to simply give, but he calls us to walk with and care for others as if they were our own. We are called to live in communion with them, it is an intimate thing.

In the midst of the earthquake this is how the Haitians treated us. Even when their world was literally falling apart, they cared for us. This was a life changing experience for me! When I give, I do so from a comfortable position, and give out of my excess. They gave to us in a *deeper* way. They gave to us when it would have been easiest to focus on themselves. I have seen in the Haitian people an unparalleled example of Christian community. Whatever plan we set out with, whatever we thought that we were going to Haiti to learn, this is what God had in mind to teach *us*. When I think about charity now, I think less about giving to people and more about walking with them. When I think about Haiti now, I think less about what we have that they lack and more about what we could have together. This is why God sent me to Haiti, and this is what I have come back to speak about, to help people quit thinking about charity as zero sum, that to help someone I must diminish myself. In God's grace and by His perfect plan giving of what we have can only add to ourselves.

You should read the article about another seminary student who was in Haiti with a different trip than we were, who passed away in the earthquake. The audio of the interview his widow and cousin give detailing their experience is especially powerful:

http://minnesota.publicradio.org/display/web/2010/02/08/loss-in-haiti/

Best Regards, Ben Mason



Quilts for Haiti

17 quilts were completed during the Quilt Marathon February 8th through 12th! These will be delivered to the Lutheran World Relief warehouse in Denver to be distributed in Haiti.

Thanks to Nancy Ladd, Carolyn Yanoski, Ann Whitefoot, Sandy Van Landschoot, Chris Goble, Connie Backes, and Ardie Sahl for their donations of fabric and sewing skills!

Look for another quilting marathon to be announced in the near future. We will accept donations of fabric, filling, and thread.

For more information or to donate the requested items, please contact:

Carolyn Yanoski 303-651-6562 Nancy Ladd 303-827-3162



Your Outreach Dollars at Work

At the February 9th Outreach Meeting, the committee voted to distribute ALL the funds donated by Faith to HTF (Haitian Timoun Foundation.) This is the organization where Ben Mason was when the earthquake hit Haiti.

Please see "Ben's Story" above for more details about the original intentions for and the outcome of his trip.

Helping Our Neighbors Around The World - cont...

MORE of Your Outreach Dollars at Work

The following email was received from Pastor Leon Philpot following the Super Bowl victory of the New Orleans Saints on February 7th. Pastor Philpot serves Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church in New Orleans. Many of you will remember our involvement with this congregation following Hurricane Katrina in 2005. We can be encouraged that God continues to bless our investment of time and treasure with eternal fruit.

Dear friends and partners of Grace,

Moments after all the exuberant and exhilarating cheering and high fives, when it became clear that our beloved New Orleans Saints are Super Bowl Champions, all of you came to mind. This entire season has been much more than just about football. The New Orleans Saints have embraced this city in their recovery. Though their primary focus was winning football games, their secondary focus was to unite this city, state, region, and country to BELIEVE and recognize that our recovery is possible. There is a spirit that underlies this experience that is a directly connected to God and His purpose for all of us (see Sunday's lesson from Psalm 138).

I hope you are celebrating with us because you have been a major part of that purpose! You have been on OUR team from the very beginning. The championship we celebrate is just as much for you as it is for all Saints fans.

Folks, we have experienced a resurrection first-hand. What you are seeing is not only our football team, but our church and our city (thanks to you!). We have gone from the words that the prophet Isaiah describe to God's people as desolate and gone to waste to NEW LIFE. Jesus word's..."I AM THE RESURRECTION and the LIFE!" have great meaning and purpose for us. And then Jesus said..."DO YOU BELIEVE [DAT]?

All of us in New Orleans say with confidence and a new swagger to our step . . . AMEN! Incidentally, the front page of the Times-Picayune this morning says it as well! In big bold letters the headline reads...AMEN!

We elected a new mayor on Saturday. Mitch Landrieu won convincingly with all the diverse constituents we have in New Orleans. There is a new air of political cooperation to really turn New Orleans into something new and better. Pray for our leadership that they carry this momentum.

We give thanks to God for you...for your grace to us that us made us who we are today---CHAMPIONS of the RESUR-RECTION!

Keep the faith . . . BELIEVE DAT!

Pastor Leon Philpot Synodically Authorized Minister Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church of New Orleans - ELCA

"For by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace to me has not been in vain." 1 Corinthians 15:10



Kids Hope USA



For the second installment of Meet the Mentors, here is a note from Connie Rankin:

I became involved with the Kids Hope program last fall. I have been partnered with Tony, a sweet, inquisitive and funny 10-year-old 5th grade boy. I had expected to be partnered with a younger child, but the principal at Sanborn had several 5th graders who he felt could benefit from having a mentor. I felt nervous that first day. Having the support and prayers from my prayer partner, Jill, helped keep me calm. Still, I wasn't sure what to expect that day. What would I say? Would he be responsive? What if he didn't like me? How was I going to fill an entire hour? All those fears left me during our first meeting. The school counselor introduced us and told Tony to choose a game for us to play. While we played the game, we talked. We talked about action heroes; his favorite books and movies; and what he liked to do during the weekends. We also worked on some of his math problems; had a snack; and before I knew it the hour was up.

Our regular weekly sessions pretty much follow the same pattern and what I've really noticed is how much I laugh during that hour. It has been a joyful experience. Tony has told me that he always looks forward to Tuesdays and our time together and I feel the same way. I have also come to the realization that as a mentor, I am not expected to replace his mother or father. I am there to be an adult who cares about him; and shows it; if just for one hour a week.

Connie Rankin

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Lunches	Prayer Shawl Mstry	Men's "Exodus"				Worship Pray/Prep
8:00 AM - 8:45 AM				9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Dinner set-up	5:30 PM
30th Com Mtg	Girl Scouts # 150	Knitters Crocheter	Library Shelving	Women Bible Study		WORSHIP
8:45 AM	7:00 PM - 8:30 PM	10:00 - 11:30 AM	11:00 AM - 3:00 PM	9:30 AM - 11:00 AM	5:00 PM - 8:00 PM	6:15 PM - 7:30 PM
WORSHIP	Weavers / Cloth	Staff Training	Soup Supper Prep	Women Gospel John	Youth Spaghetti	Bethany Prayer
10:00 - 11:00 AM		1:15 PM - 1:30 PM	4:30 PM - 5:15 PM	6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner/ Auction	7:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Sunday School		Staff Prayer		Leap of Faith Band		Cleaners
11:00 AM		1:30 PM - 3:00 PM			7:00 PM - 9:00 PM	
WORSHIP			Lent Soup Supper		Game Night - Adult	
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2:00 PM - 6:00 PM			Sisters in Christ	7:00 PM - 8:00 PM		
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WORSHIP		Staff Meetings		Girl Scout #203		Cleaners
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Centro Cristiano		Staff Lead Meeting		Centro Cristiano		
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5:30 PM - 7:00 PM				Cantata		
Cleaners			Confirmation Class			
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		Knitters Crocheter		Women Bible Study		
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Orientation		1:30 PM - 3:00 PM		6:30 PM - 9:30 PM		Workshop
Session #2		Staff Meetings	Lenten WORSHIP			Leaders'
10:00 - 11:00 AM		3:00 PM - 3:30 PM		7:00 PM - 9:00 PM		Meeting
Sunday School		Staff Lead Meeting		Crown Financial		
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Worship Servants

WORSHIP SERVANTS:	Time	Feb 20 & 21	Feb 27 & 28	Mar 6 & 7
Sound System:	RehearsalThurs	Jan Baas	Doug Inskeep	Mike Rosenstein
	Saturday	Lee Quaintance	Steve Hansen	Mike Rosenstein
	8:45am	Jan Baas	Doug Inskeep	Mike Rosenstein
	11:15am	Jan Baas	Doug Inskeep	Mike Rosenstein
Power Point Input		Stacia Keller	Stacia Keller	Dawn Baas
Video Projection	Saturday	Steve Hansen	Stacia Keller	Steve Hansen
	8:45am	Marcie Mason	Kirk Olson	Jason Irvin
	11:15am	Stacia Keller	Kirk Olson	Sarek Lee
<u>Greeters</u>	Saturday	Scott & Erika Snyder	Mike & Lisa Smith	Mike & Lisa Smith
	8:45am	Linda Kepler Peggy McDonald	Linda Kepler Peggy McDonald	Linda Kepler Peggy McDonald
	11:15am			
<u>Ushers</u>	Saturday	Scott & Erika Snyder	Mike Smith	Mike Smith
Head Usher *	8:45am	Ed Owens *	Ed Owens *	Ed Owens *
	8:45am	Paul & Natalie James	Paul & Natalie James	Paul & Natalie James
	11:15am	Gordy Wallace*	Gordy Wallace*	Gordy Wallace*
	11:15am	Jeff Bladt / Mark Flowers	Jeff Bladt	Jeff Bladt
<u>Acolyte</u>	8:45am	Lincoln Ell	Griffin Nelson	Katrin Sharpe
	11:15am	Sam Smith	Noelle Peterson	Noelle Peterson
<u>Lector</u>	Saturday	Sandi Knutson	Lisa Smith	Lisa Smith
	8:45am	Diane Broestl	Diane Broestl	Diane Broestl
	11:15am	Jody McClurkin	Jody McClurkin	Jody McClurkin
Communion Preparation	Saturday	Scott & Erika Snyder	Mike & Lisa Smith	Mike & Lisa Smith
	before/after 8:45	Ed & Ethel Owens	Harvey & Marilyn Jackson	Ed & Ethel Owens
Communion Servers	Saturday	Scott & Erika Snyder	Mike & Lisa Smith	Mike & Lisa Smith
	8:45am	Alan & Kathleen Chestnut	Marv & Joyce Heimbichner	Marv & Joyce Heimbichner
	8:45am	Joel & Joan Schell	Joel & Joan Schell	Joel & Joan Schell
	11:15am	Debbie Austin	Debbie Austin	Debbie Austin
	11:15am	Jeremy & Natalie Lowry	Steve & Eric Phelan	
Communion Clean-up	Saturday	Scott & Erika Snyder	Mike & Lisa Smith	Mike & Lisa Smith
Chris Goble 303-848-8121	after 11:15am	Debbie Austin	Debbie Austin	Debbie Austin
<u>Nursery</u>	8:45am	Sarah Burch	Diana Emerson	Todd & Heather Williams
Natalie Boggess	9:45am	Natalie Boggess	Natalie Boggess	Natalie Boggess
303-823-8683	11:15am	Christine Hollenbeck	Donna Smith	Andrea & Camilla Lee
Children's Church	11:15am	Jill WooChing	Ann Hovick	Mary Konicek
Nanette Goings	CC Assistant	Ben WooChing	Shauna Bladt	David K and Zach Vece
Office Volunteers	8:45 - 11:15	Veta Hartman	Joan Flowers	Stacia Keller
Coffee Clean-Up	after 11:15am	Ewald & Kathe Schelert	Ewald & Kathe Schelert	Ewald & Kathe Schelert
Welcome Center				Diana Phelan

FCLC Nursery Help Needed!



The nursery is in need of servants for Good Friday and Easter Sunday. I know it seems early but if you could look ahead at your schedule and let me know if you would be able to serve I would be very appreciative. Please contact Natalie at nboggess01@hotmail.com. Thank you!

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